

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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NOMINATION FORM  
for the  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

<b>1. NAME</b>				
COMMON: Collier Estate -- log house ruins				
AND/OR HISTORIC: Murphy's Ford Log House				
<b>2. LOCATION</b>				
STREET AND NUMBER: 16500 block Batson Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Spencerville				
STATE Maryland		COUNTY: Montgomery		
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>				
<b>CATEGORY</b> (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure		<b>OWNERSHIP</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		<b>STATUS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
<b>ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC</b> Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious	<u>ruined</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>				
OWNER'S NAME: Wilbur H. Collier				
STREET AND NUMBER: Batson Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Spencerville		STATE: Maryland		
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Montgomery County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Rockville		STATE: Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>				
TITLE OF SURVEY: None				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		

7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered    (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>The structure is a 1-1/2 story house with an east wing of log and a west wing of frame. Due to the present deteriorated condition, the long construction can be easily examined.</p> <p>The foundation is stone with a square-hewn sill into which three-quarter round floor joists are mortised. The square-cut log walls have lapped joints. The chinking is rock and plaster. The plate is cut at an angle on the upper side so that notched rafters rest on the inside of the plate. The raftering system uses only common rafters covered with sheathing; braces mid-way between plat and ridge are of round logs.</p> <p>The main (north) facade has one window on either side of the door. On the east facade the clapboards remain; there is one window on each floor and an outside cellar entrance of cement. On the south side, there is a door and window. On the east, the frame addition adjoins.</p> <p>The boxed staircase is in the northeast corner; it leads to a ceiled loft space. The ground floor was one large room. In the loft, remains of partitions made of tongue-and-groove vertical boarding are visible. On both floors the outside walls were lathed and plastered. The loft joists are machine cut and are mortised through the log walls. The flooring throughout is tongue-and-groove. On the west wall of the log section, a small chimney with a thimble for a stovepipe remains.</p> <p>The addition to the west is balloon framed with horizontal beaded board panelling.</p>	

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## 8. SIGNIFICANCE

## PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Pre-Columbian      ☐ 16th Century      ☐ 18th Century      ☐ 20th Century  
☐ 15th Century      ☐ 17th Century      ☒ 19th Century

## SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal     | <input type="checkbox"/> Education    | <input type="checkbox"/> Political      | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric    | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering  | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic       | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry     | losophy                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture    | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention    | <input type="checkbox"/> Science        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture   | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture      | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art            | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce       | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature   | itarian                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military     | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation   | <input type="checkbox"/> Music        | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____                                    |

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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## 9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

## 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
NW	Degrees Minutes Seconds ° ' "	Degrees Minutes Seconds ° ' "		Degrees Minutes Seconds ° ' "	Degrees Minutes Seconds ° ' "	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	

## 11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Christopher Ownes		DATE 1/23/73	
ORGANIZATION M-NCPPC			
STREET AND NUMBER: 8787 Georgia Avenue			
CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring		STATE Maryland	

## 12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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# **OLD BUILDING SURVEY of the BURTONSVILLE AREA**

**Ron Geraci**

**Vicki Walker**

**Linda Donnary**

**Sponsored by the  
BURTONSVILLE BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE  
Burtonsville, Maryland  
1976**

# 15-57

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### 3. Snowden Manor House

The only house surveyed that has not been occupied for quite some time; it is said that this dwelling was an overseer's cabin for the Snowden Manor property which contained this parcel of land at one time. The original log portion is a one and one-half story structure roughly 12 by 16 feet. The only remaining features of interest are the hand-hewn wall logs, jointed at the corners and the extremely large two-foot diameter floor logs which are slightly flattened on one side to receive the floor boards. There is a later circular-sawn frame addition to the west end. The entire building is covered with horizontal weatherboards.



*South and east facades*

#15-56

### 4. Michael Murphy House

Called "Great Holly," the name comes from the enormous male holly tree next to the house which has a trunk diameter in excess of two feet.

Standing on property once belonging to "Snowden's Manor," the oldest portion of this house is a one and one-half story log structure roughly 12 by 16 feet. The hand-hewn logs that form the walls are the largest of any log house in Burtonsville. The first floor ceiling height of about eight feet is unusually high. The stone foundation of an interior fireplace lies below the floor. The windows have been altered to a Victorian two over two pane arrangement. A frame addition has been added to the west end of the log portion and a more complete house form was added to the east in the early 1900's.



*South facade*

#15-61

### 5. Thomas Poole House

The wing that extends to the rear of this house is said to date from about 1800. It has the characteristic one and one-half story volume and very likely is of log construction. There is a basement under this portion that has stone walls. Uncut log floor joists are visible. A later addition to the west end has become the main house and has a porch completely across the front. This house was thought to have been a tenant house for the Louis H. Duvall farm at one time. Deeds describe this property as being part of "Bear Baeon" and "Batchelor's Adventure" land surveys.



*South facade*

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MEMORANDUM

March 21, 1986 MAR 24 1986

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TO: Richard Ferrara, Director  
Department of Housing and Community Development  
John L. Menke, Director  
Department of Environmental Protection  
✓ J. Rodney Little, Director  
State Historic Preservation Office  
Philip Cantelon, Chairperson  
Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: Melissa C. Banach, Coordinator  
Community Planning North

SUBJECT: Preliminary Draft Amendment to the Master Plan for  
Historic Preservation: Northern and Eastern  
Montgomery County Resources

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I am pleased to transmit to you this Preliminary Draft  
Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation:  
Northern and Eastern Montgomery County Resources.

This document contains the recommendations of the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission on approximately 80 historic sites located in the Olney, Sandy Spring, Aspen Hill, and Burtonsville areas of the County.

The Montgomery County Planning Board will hold a public hearing on this Preliminary Draft Amendment on Monday, April 21, 1986, at 7:30 P.M., in the Auditorium of the Montgomery Regional Office at 8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland.

Should you have any questions concerning this specific Preliminary Draft Amendment, please do not hesitate to contact Marty Reinhart at 495-4565.

MCB:MR:dws  
Attachment

PRELIMINARY DRAFT

AMENDMENT TO THE APPROVED AND ADOPTED  
MASTER PLAN FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

NORTHERN AND EASTERN  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC RESOURCES

Including sites located in the Olney, Sandy Spring,  
Aspen Hill, Norbeck and Burtonsville Areas

March 1986

An amendment to the 1980 Olney Master Plan, 1980 Sandy Spring/  
Ashton Special Study Plan, 1970 Aspen Hill Master Plan, and the  
1981 Eastern Montgomery County Master Plan; being also an  
amendment to the General Plan for the Physical Development of the  
Maryland-Washington Regional District and to the Master Plan of  
Highways within Montgomery County, Maryland.

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## APPENDIX A

SITES NOT RECOMMENDED FOR REGULATION UNDER THE  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE CHAPTER 24A OF THE  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY CODE

The following sites have been reviewed by the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission and were found not to merit designation of the Master Plan for Historic Preservation. If not included in the Master Plan, these resources may be removed from the Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites in Montgomery County. If removed from the Locational Atlas, the sites will no longer be governed by the Moratorium on Alteration and Demolition, Section 24A-10 of the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance. The sites will, however, remain on the Maryland Historical Trust's Inventory.

The following sites were found by the Preservation Commission to be too greatly altered from the period of their architectural or historical significance or not to meet Ordinance criteria for designation.

<u>Atlas #</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Location</u>
15/31	Tyson House (Mrs. W. Chandlee House)	18600 Brooke Rd., Ashton
13/32	Brinklow Store & Post Office	18930 New Hampshire Ave. Brinklow
15/40	Rawlings Mill House	1820 Tucker Lane, Ashton
15/44	Pat Cuff House	1515 Ednor Rd., Ednor
15/48	Chimney Ruins	Oak Hill Rd.-North of Rt. 198, Spencerville
15/51	Drayton	16000 Oak Hill Road, Silver Spring
15/57	Murphy Ford Log House	16500 Block of Batson Rd., Spencerville
15/70	Harriet Lea House	18900 New Hampshire Ave., Brinklow
23/1	Gaither/Gray House	24241 Hipsley Mill Rd., Gaithersburg
23/2	Leamon/Faucett House	24405 Hipsley Mill Road, Gaithersburg
23/3	Dennis Thomas House	24501 Hipsley Mill Road, Laytonsville



NAME #15-57 MURPHY'S FORD LOG HOUSE

LOCATION BATSON RD SPENCERVILLE, MD

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